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SUBJECT: JAPAN'S AGGREGATE TRADE DATA - OCT - PROVISIONAL

1. SUMMARY: ON SEASONALLY ADJUSTED BASIS, JAPAN'S EXPORTS (F.O.B.) AND IMPORTS (CIF) BOTH DECLINED IN OCT FROM SEPT ACCORDING TO PRELIMINARY MOF CUSTOMS TRADE DATA. HOWEVER, 4.5 PERCENT DROP IN OCT EXPORTS CAN BE ENTIRELY EXPLAINED BY FALL IN SHIP DELIVERIES AFTER SHARP RISE IN SEPT. EXCLUDING SHIP DELIVERIES, OCT EXPORTS REMAINED VIRTUALLY UNCHANGED FROM PRIOR MONTH. OCT IMPORTS, S.A., FELL 8.0 PERCENT FROM SEPT. IN OCT IMPORTS APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN BROADLY BASED; FALL IN OIL IMPORTS CONTRIBUTED TO RELATIVELY MINOR DEGREE. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED EXPORT AND IMPORT VOLUMES BOTH DECLINED IN OCT FOLLOWING RECOVERY IN SEP. END SUMMARY.

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2. FOLLOWING ARE PRELIMINARY MOF DATA ON OCT CUSTOMS BASIS FOREIGN TRADE, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (IN MIL DOLLARS, WITH YEAR-OVER-YEAR PERCENT CHANGE IN PAREN):

OCT#	SEP (REVISED)	
EXPORTS (F.O.B.)	6,098 (25.2)	6,114 (34.4)
IMPORTS (C.I.F.)	5,656 (9.7)	5,606 (18.2)

(#NOTE: OCT 1976 CUSTOMS EXPORTS IN YEN 1,759,560 MIL AND IMPORTS 1,631,369 MIL.)

3. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA FOLLOW (IN MIL DOLLARS, WITH PERCENT CHANGE FROM PRIOR MONTH IN PAREN):

OCT	SEP (REVISED)	
EXPORTS (F.O.B.)	5,785 (MIN 4.5)	6,055 (11.3)
IMPORTS (C.I.F.)	5,526 (MIN 8.0)	6,005 (6.1)

4. JAPAN'S OCT EXPORTS TO AND IMPORTS FROM U.S. NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AS FOLLOWS (IN MIL DOLS, WITH YEAR-OVER-YEAR PERCENT CHANGE IN PAREN):

OCT	SEP (REVISED)	
EXPORTS TO U.S. (F.O.B.)	1,357 (37.5)	1,422 (48.4)
IMPORTS FROM U.S. (CIF)	963 (MIN 0.3)	1,039 (13.4)

5. JAPAN'S OCT CRUDE OIL IMPORTS (C.I.F.) NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED) AS FOLLOWS (YEAR-OVER-YEAR PERCENT CHANGE IN PAREN):

OCT	SEP (REVISED)	
DOL VALUE (IN MIL DOLS)	1,804 (0.4)	1,701 (4.3)
QUANTITY IMPORTED (IN MIL KILOLITERS)	22.9 (MIN 5.8)	21.4 (MIN 3.1)

6. OCT 1976 MOF PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES OF PERCENT CHANGES IN INDICES OF VALUE QUANTUM, AND UNIT VALUE FROM OCT 1975 ARE AS FOLLOWS (DOL-DENOMINATED, CUSTOMS BASIS):

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS
VALUE	25.2	9.7
QUANTUM	14.3	2.3
UNIT VALUE	9.4	7.1

7. FOLLOWING ARE OCT 1976 EMBASSY ESTIMATES OF PERCENT CHANGES FROM PRIOR MONTH IN INDICES AFTER SEASONAL ADJUST-  
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MENT BASED ON SEASONAL FACTORS UNOFFICIALLY PROVIDED BY EPA:

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS
VALUE	MIN 4.5	MIN 8.0
QUANTUM	MIN 8.4	MIN 10.8
UNIT VALUE	7.4	7.0

8.NOTE: RATES OF EXCHANGE USED BY MOF TO CONVERT TO

DOL BASIS FOR OCT 1976 WERE 288.53 YEN PER DOL FOR  
EXPORTS AND 288.43 YEN PER DOL FOR IMPORTS.

9. OCT DATA FOR JAPAN'S TRADE BY AREA AND COMMODITY  
WILL BE REPORTED SEPARATELY.  
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